

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A lacrosse head comprising:

a frame having a top edge, a bottom edge, an interior face, and an exterior face, wherein the frame encloses an interior area, and wherein the frame is adapted to receive a pocket disposed adjacent to the bottom edge; and

~~at least one protrusion disposed on the top edge, wherein the at least one protrusion protrudes toward the interior area~~

a plurality of top protrusions disposed on the top edge; and

a plurality of bottom protrusions disposed on the bottom edge arranged such that the bottom protrusions are substantially alternating with respect to the top protrusions.

2. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 1, wherein the frame comprises a stop member, two sidewalls connected to the stop member, and a scoop connected to the two sidewalls opposite the stop member, and wherein at least one of the top protrusions and at least one of the bottom protrusions ~~the at least one protrusion~~ is disposed on at least one of the two sidewalls.

3. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 2, wherein any height of the frame inclusive of the at least one top protrusion and the at least one bottom protrusion does not exceed a specified sidewall height ~~further comprising at least one bottom protrusion disposed on the bottom edge of the at least one of the two sidewalls, and~~

~~wherein any height of the frame, inclusive of the at least one protrusion and the at least one bottom protrusion, does not exceed a specified sidewall height.~~

4. (Original) The lacrosse head of claim 3, wherein the specified sidewall height is one of approximately 2 inches and approximately 1.8 inches.

5. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim [3] 1, wherein at least one of the bottom protrusions is disposed substantially in a location on the bottom edge corresponding to a space formed on the top edge between two adjacent top protrusions ~~the at least one protrusion comprises a first top protrusion and a second top protrusion spaced apart from one each other, wherein the at least one bottom protrusion comprises a bottom protrusion, and wherein the bottom protrusion is disposed substantially between the first top protrusion and the second top protrusion.~~

6. (Original) The lacrosse head of claim 3, wherein the head is adapted to receive a shaft along a shaft axis, and wherein frame height is measured substantially perpendicularly to the shaft axis.

7. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 6, wherein the sum of the height of the sidewall, the height of the at least one top protrusion, and the height of the at least one bottom protrusion, measured separately, exceeds the specified sidewall height.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 1, ~~further comprising at least one bottom protrusion disposed on the bottom edge,~~ wherein the at least one bottom protrusion protrudes away from the interior area.

10. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 9, wherein ~~the~~ at least one top protrusion and the at least one bottom protrusion are disposed along the frame such that any frame height, inclusive of the at least one top protrusion and the at least one bottom protrusion and measured substantially perpendicularly to the top edge, does not exceed a specified height, and

wherein the sum of the height of a sidewall of the frame, the height of the at least one top protrusion, and the height of the at least one bottom protrusion, measured separately, exceeds the specified ~~sidewall~~ height.

11. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 9, wherein the frame is adapted to receive a shaft along a shaft axis, and wherein ~~the~~ at least one top protrusion and the at least one bottom protrusion are disposed along the frame such that any frame height, inclusive of the at least one top protrusion and the at least one bottom protrusion and measured substantially perpendicularly to the shaft axis, does not exceed a specified height, and

wherein the sum of the height of a sidewall of the frame, the height of the at least one top protrusion, and the height of the at least one bottom protrusion, measured separately, exceeds the specified ~~sidewall~~ height.

12. (Original) The lacrosse head of claim 9, wherein the at least one bottom protrusion defines thread openings.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim ~~1~~ 13, wherein at least one of the plurality of bottom protrusions ~~protrusion~~ has an opening to which the pocket can be strung.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim ~~17~~ 3, wherein the specified sidewall height is one of approximately 2 inches and approximately 1.8 inches.

19. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 3 ~~17~~, wherein the lacrosse head is adapted to receive a shaft having a shaft axis, and wherein the height of the frame is measured substantially perpendicularly to the shaft axis.

20. (Currently Amended) A lacrosse head comprising:

a stop member;

sidewalls extending from the stop member, wherein the sidewalls have a top edge, a bottom edge, an interior face, and an exterior face;

a transverse wall joining the sidewalls at their end opposite to the stop member, wherein an interior area is defined by the stop member, the sidewalls, and the transverse wall; and

~~a protrusion disposed on the top edge of a sidewall of the sidewalls, wherein the protrusion protrudes toward the interior area~~

a plurality of top protrusions disposed on the top edge; and

a plurality of bottom protrusions disposed on the bottom edge arranged such that the bottom protrusions are substantially alternating with respect to the top protrusions.

21. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 20, wherein the stop member has an upper edge, a lower edge, and an inside face, and wherein the lacrosse head further comprises a tab

disposed on the ~~bottom~~ lower edge of the stop member, wherein the tab protrudes away from the interior area.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 20 ~~22~~, ~~further comprising a second protrusion disposed on the top edge of the sidewall, wherein the second protrusion protrudes wherein at least one of the top protrusions protrudes toward the interior area, and wherein the protrusion and the second protrusion are spaced apart from each other, and wherein the tab~~ one of the bottom protrusions is disposed substantially between two adjacent top protrusions. ~~the protrusion and the second protrusion.~~

24. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 20 ~~22~~, wherein the head is adapted to receive a shaft along a shaft axis, and

wherein the height of the sidewall, as measured along a line substantially perpendicularly to the shaft axis, and inclusive of any top protrusion or bottom protrusion ~~tab~~ along the line, is no greater than a specified sidewall height.

25. (Currently Amended) The lacrosse head of claim 24, wherein the sum of the height of a top protrusion ~~the tab~~, the height of a bottom ~~the~~ protrusion, and the height of the sidewall, measured separately, exceeds the specified sidewall height.

26. (Currently Amended) A lacrosse head comprising:

a stop member;

sidewalls extending from the stop member, wherein the sidewalls have a top edge, a bottom edge, an interior face, and an exterior face;

a transverse wall joining the sidewalls at their end opposite to the stop member, wherein an interior area is defined by the stop member, the sidewalls, and the transverse wall;

a tooth disposed on the top edge of a sidewall of the sidewalls;

a tab disposed on the bottom edge of the sidewall,

wherein the head is adapted to receive a shaft along a shaft axis,

wherein the sum of the height of the tooth, the height of the tab, and the height of the sidewall, measured separately, exceeds a ~~specified~~ maximum sidewall height specified by a set of rules for lacrosse, and

wherein the tooth and the tab are disposed along the sidewall such that any height of the lacrosse head measured substantially perpendicularly to the shaft axis, inclusive of the tooth and the tab, is no greater than the ~~specified~~ maximum sidewall height specified by a set of rules for lacrosse.

27. (Original) The lacrosse head of claim 26, wherein the tooth protrudes toward the interior area.

28. (Original) The lacrosse head of claim 26, wherein the tab protrudes away from the interior area.

29. (Original) The lacrosse head of claim 26, wherein the tab defines thread openings.

30. (Original) The lacrosse head of claim 26, further comprising a second tooth disposed on the top edge of the sidewall and spaced apart from the tooth, and wherein the tab is disposed substantially between the tooth and the second tooth.

31. (New) The lacrosse head of claim 1, wherein the frame is adapted to receive a shaft along a shaft axis, and wherein the protrusions on the top and bottom edges of the frame are disposed along the frame such that heights of the frame measured on a line substantially perpendicularly to the shaft axis, inclusive of any top protrusion and bottom protrusion along the line, are substantially constant.

32. (New) The lacrosse head of claim 20, wherein the top protrusions and the bottom protrusions are disposed along the sidewall such that heights of the sidewalls measured on a line substantially perpendicularly to the shaft axis, inclusive of any top protrusion and bottom protrusion along the line, are substantially constant.

33. (New) The lacrosse head of claim 26, wherein the tooth and the tab are disposed along the sidewall such that heights of the sidewall measured on line substantially perpendicularly to the shaft axis, inclusive of the tooth and the tab when they are along the line, are substantially constant.